

## ROBBED A DEAD MAN:

## Brooklyn Officials to Investigate a Strange Case.

### Lineman Willie's Week's Wage Stolen After His Death.

Completely in It.

G. H. Collins, who is employed in the electrical department of the Atlantic Avenue Railroad Company, called at the Coroner's office, in Brooklyn, this morning and charged that somebody had stolen \$15 from his deceased friend, John Wille, who lost his life on Wednesday while at work repairing the company's trolley wires at Ninth avenue and Third street. Incidentally, he told a story which seems to call for a strict investigation.

Wille, who was thirty years old, was employed as an emergency lineman, and lived in the railroad depot at Third and Atlantic avenues.

On Wednesday afternoon Collins told Deputy Coroner Deegan that he and Wille were paid their salary that day. Wille only had five cents in his pocket. He received \$17.50.

Immediately after getting their pay they went to Ninth avenue and Third street to make some repairs. Wille had

Another man, named Sheehan, stood near by. Sheehan stood guard while Collins ran for a policeman. He found an officer half a block distant, told him to call an ambulance and returned to his friend's side.

He was not absent more than three minutes, he says. An ambulance arrived, drove forward and removed the injured man to the Seney Hospital where he died that night.

Collins notified the dead man's

mother, who lives in Toronto, Canada, of the tragedy, and received a reply that she would bury the remains if they were sent to her, but that she had no money to pay the expenses of forwarding them.

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"Mr. Willie never wore overalls since I have known him," said Collins this morning. "On the day he was killed he had a pair of blue overalls on. I bought them for him. Another discrepancy in the case is that I saw him paid off, and I am positive that he got \$17 in bills and only one 50-cent piece."

Mr. Collins said that unless the missing money could be found Willie's body would be interred in the city cemetery. Deputy Coroner Deegan promised to investigate the matter.

**SUED BY A JEWELLER.**

**Pittrelle Has Tieber Arrested in Suit to Recover \$450.**

Benjamin Tieber was arrested on the order of Chief Justice Ehlrich, of the

City Court, in an action brought against him by Elias Pitrele, a diamond dealer of 81 Nassau street, to recover a balance of \$450 alleged to be due on jewelry. Tieber has an interest in a saloon at 7 Park Row. Pitrele claims that false representations were made as to the financial condition of Tieber when the jewelry was sold.

On June 18 last Tieber ordered diamond earrings, a diamond stud and a diamond ring, in all valued at \$600. He paid \$150 on account. It is alleged that he said he owned the business at 75 Park Row.

and that it was free and clear of encumbrance. Pitrele, however, claimed to have ascertained that the place is mortgaged for \$25.00, and that Tieber owed him an amount in it.

David Brown, another jeweller, makes an affidavit that Tieber told him that he owed Pitrele money on jewelry, but that if Pitrele asked him for it he would punch Pitrele's nose. He says Tieber also told him that he intended to sail to-day on a steamer for Bremen, and that he would leave his creditors whistling for their money.

**THE CHECK WAS WORTHLESS**  
**West Paid a Debt with It and Got**  
**Arrested.**  
John O'Neill, proprietor of the Monument Hotel, One Hundred and Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue, appeared as complainant before Justice Taintor this morning in the Harlequin court against Charles West, of 265 West One Hundred and Twenty-third street, whom he charged with passing a worthless check for \$100 on the hotel.

West formerly kept a restaurant in O'Neill's hotel, and owed O'Neill \$300 for liquors. O'Neill charges West with settling his indebtedness with a worthless check on the Fifth Avenue Bank. West says it is all a mistake. He has an account with the bank, he claims, and on the day he made the check there were funds there to meet it.

Justice Taftor held West in \$500 for examination on Friday next.

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## BOY HIGHWAYMAN IN COURT

**Julius Goodman, of Texas, Sent to the House of Refuge.**

Julius Goodman, fourteen years old, of 260 Elm street, Dallas, Tex., who was stranded in this city on Aug. 15 and snatched a gold watch valued at \$100 from Frank Vinton, of 32 St. Mark avenue, Brooklyn, on that day in City Hall Park, was arraigned before Recorder Smyth this afternoon in Part I. of the Court of General Sessions.

He pleaded guilty and the Recorder sent him to the House of Refuge. Good man left home two weeks ago to seek his fortune, and when he arrived here he had spent all his money. Julius told the Recorder that he snatched the watch because he was hungry.

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## SWINDLED BY AN OLD TRICK

Rosalie Lost \$15, but Captured the Sharper's Confederate.

Matthew M. ...

of 5 Mangan street, was held for trial in Essex Market Court to-day on a charge of larceny preferred by Vassello Rosalis of 229 Bowery. Rosalis says that while he was passing along the Bowery last night a man picked up a pocketbook containing what appeared to be a \$50 Treasury note in front of him, and offered to divide the money if he would change the bill. Rosalis gave the man \$15, and the money he had, and then discovered that the \$50 bill was a Confederate note.

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